

## Weatherperson’s Day Weather History for Central Illinois

**National Weatherperson’s Day** also known as National Weatherman's Day, is observed on February 5 primarily in the United States. It recognizes people in the fields of meteorology, weather forecasting and broadcast meteorology, as well as volunteer storm spotters and observers. It is observed on John Jeffries birthday, one of the United States' first weather observers who took daily measurements starting in 1774, born on February 5th, 1744. Jeffries made the first balloon flight over London in 1784 with the purpose of gathering data for a scientific study of the air at high altitudes.

Peoria Records – Weatherperson’s Day		
Climate Record	February 5	
Record High	60 in 1946	
Normal High	35	
Record Low	13 in 1995	
Normal Low	19	
Lowest Max	1 in 1979	
Highest Min	51 in 1938	
Record Precipitation	0.79" - 2008	
Average Precipitation	0.05 inch	
Record Snow	3.8" - 1980	
Record Snow Depth	15” - 1979	
Average Snow	0.2”	

Springfield Records – Weatherperson’s Day		
Climate Record	February 5	
Record High	66 in 1938	
Normal High	37	
Record Low	-12 in 1979	
Normal Low	20	
Lowest Max	5 in 1895	
Highest Min	52 in 1938	
Record Precipitation	1.38" - 2008	
Average Precipitation	0.05 inch	
Record Snow	4.6" - 1916	
Record Snow Depth	10” - 1918	
Average Snow	0.2”	

Champaign-Urbana Records – Weatherperson’s Day		
Climate Record	February 5	
Record High	62 in 1938	
Normal High	35	
Record Low	-14 in 1902	
Normal Low	18	
Lowest Max	2 in 1979	
Highest Min	43 in 1927	
Record Precipitation	0.78" - 2008	
Average Precip	0.07 inch	
Record Snow	6.5” – 2014	
Record Snow Depth	16” – 1979 & 1982	
Average Snow	0.2”	

Effingham Records – Weatherperson’s Day		
Climate Record	February 5	
Record High	68 in 1938	
Normal High	37	
Record Low	-12 in 1895 & 1979	
Normal Low	20	
Lowest Max	8 in 1895	
Highest Min	49 in 1938	
Record Precipitation	0.80" - 1971	
Average Precipitation	0.08 inch	
Record Snow	5.2" - 2014	
Record Snow Depth	14” – 1979 & 1982	
Average Snow	0.1”	